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### CIRCULATION

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### STATE BUDGET NEEDED.

There can be no surprise that the method the state has at the present time for handling its finances should meet with general criticism throughout the state. It is time that an improvement was made therein and when the New Britain Herald says: "The state ought to have a finance commission the business of which would be to make an estimate of the expenses while the legislature is in session, considering the proposed appropriations and reporting back as to the relation of one to the other, so that we would know just what could be done with the receipts and then stop." It is making a suggestion which appeals to common sense. There should be a method whereby it is known just how the estimated receipts and the appropriations compare as no session of the legislature advances.

What the state needs is a budget system whereby it can be told what the state can expect in the way of an income and also what the amount of the expenses will be, so that before it is too late it can be known what amount the appropriations are liable to exceed the income and the paring can be done on the unnecessary bills, and if it is necessary, fix a tax then and there to meet the cost of running the state. If large expenditures are to be made the state must meet them and every session of the general assembly should be made to shoulder its responsibilities and not put them off onto their successors. Better still the legislature should figure to spend no more than it knows is available.

### SHOPPING SHOULD BE EARLY.

Only a little over three weeks and Christmas will be here. That means a large amount of shopping to be done in the 20 working days which intervene. For the assistance of everyone who is concerned therein, the dealer that he can better supply your wants, the clerk that he can give you more time and attention, and yourself that it can be done with greater comfort and satisfaction, shopping should be done early. Those who do not begin until the last week will envy those who had their shopping for Christmas practically done the first of December and there with greater comfort and satisfaction, shopping should be done early. Those who do not begin until the last week will envy those who had their shopping for Christmas practically done the first of December and there with greater comfort and satisfaction, shopping should be done early.

Every year since it was started the movement to shop early has been gaining strength as the merchants have reason to know. There will always be many who cannot do their shopping until the last few days. Financial reasons are excuse enough for them and it is well to give them the time they so much need. With a large portion of the army of buyers it is just as easy to do their trading now as to delay and that being so it is placing a hardship upon the clerks to require them to devote every energy to taking care of rush business so that all the pleasure of the season is lost for them after long and weary hours of effort to serve a crowd of whom do and some do not know what they want.

### PATRICK'S INNOCENCE.

The pardoning of Albert T. Patrick by Governor Dix after ten years' imprisonment marks another step in a case which has aroused much interest since the death of Millionaire Rice. Many governors have much time to the case because of the persistent efforts of Patrick, who was well posted and used every legal effort to win his case. In his success he has the governor of New York to thank. He stirred up such a doubt in his case that he secured delay after delay and finally secured his freedom from a man who reviewed much of the evidence in the case, but the judge and the jury who heard the evidence as it was given, had no doubt. All that has been gained by Patrick has been through two governors, one of whom commuted his death sentence to 20 imprisonment and the other who gave him his freedom on the ground that he should have a chance to prove his innocence. This is of course within the power of the governor, whatever his reason might be, but no man ever had the chance to prove his innocence that has been given to Patrick. It has been a struggle for 12 years and his evidence and plea had its greatest effect, not upon the judge and jury in the court of justice, but upon two men, Governors Higgins and Dix. What Patrick's course will be in proving his innocence remains for the future to show, but it is indicated that he is more interested in getting possession of the Rice millions.

### PARTIES MUST BE DIFFERENT.

Within the next few weeks important meetings of the leaders of the Republican and Progressive parties will be held for the purpose of deciding upon the future plans of the organizations. Much interest is being manifested in these gatherings, which will be representative of all sections. The Republicans will prepare for the strengthening of their lines for a battle for the regaining of their former position of strength and power, backed by the principles which the party upholds for national welfare while as an opposition party the Progressives will endeavor to hold to their position and support principles which are represented by other political organizations.

"In point both of numbers and of strategic position," the New York Evening Post holds that the republicans "are in a way to gain far more in the ups and downs of our politics than are the progressives. A distinct party has to have something distinctive. To justify and maintain a separate life, it must mark itself off sharply from other parties. It may be for free trade, for example, or for protection, but must be so in a way to make it impossible to confuse it with another party. But can this be said of the progressive party? Are not most of its principles already embodied in other parties? Is not its program of law making of a sort to be accomplished without the need of a new party? May it not prove that the progressive movement of 1912—so far as it can be detached from motives of political vengeance or personal ambition—really had its lasting significance in quickening and leavening the old parties, rather than in beginning a new one?"

This contention is one which is gaining much hold throughout the country. But one senator in the new congressional directory has desired to have progressive placed after his name, and members of the party have declared their determination to return to the party from which they went and through which far greater good can be gained by the application of the party principles and standing for needed legislation. There is a distinctiveness about the Republican party which cannot be so easily extinguished.

### TIME WASTED BY CONGRESS.

During the sixty-second congress there were introduced bills to the number of 35,435, which included resolutions, joint resolutions and concurrent resolutions, a great mass of legislation which meant much duplication and the handling of which means a waste of time which could have been given with more profit to the important questions under consideration. This occurs at every session and accounts to no small degree for the action given in many instances seems slow and unnecessarily delayed. Such a stack of business of course requires time and when measures are proposed which are practically identical they simply serve to clog committee action, delay reports because of hearings and investigations and mar the efficiency of both branches of congress.

There is need of some method of expediting the business of the nation whereby better results can be obtained in securing legislation. Full deliberation and discussion should be given to each and all bills, in committee and from the floor, but it is lost effort which goes over the same ground twice. Some method should be devised to overcome it. Long delays are forced onto certain bills for lack of time to consider them, which, if the time given to duplicate bills, are turned in their direction, more could be accomplished and sessions would not be unnecessarily lengthened.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Happy thought for today. A bad draft is provoking whether it concerns a money or a cigar.

The price of turkeys took a sudden drop after everyone had been supplied, but they'll be high again by Christmas.

With the angel of the new party distracted, it's time they changed the words if not the music of the much used hymn.

The police have cause for believing that the police are prosperous times, and that quite a few still have faith in protection.

Mr. Alsop may be right after all when he speaks of the Bull Mooseers staying out. Mr. Roosevelt found that he couldn't come back.

The bean crop in California is small this year. This means an increase in the cost of living in New England and particularly in Boston.

Immigration is having its effects in Australia. New South Wales excludes all but the deserving, but even that's a hard word to draw the line on.

The season of the Red Cross seals has opened. It ought to be the best ever, the organization and the object being worthy of everyone's support.

As much as war is deplored, everyone is admiring the spunk displayed by Serbia. She put another chip on her shoulder when she occupied Durazzo.

Reports show the Pullman car company made \$40,000,000 the past year, a sum which does not begin to tell what the profits of the porters were.

The recklessness of some auto drivers knows no limits. Invariably when they kill a man they immediately throw more gasoline and hit up a greater speed.

Mr. Sulzer of New York would like to be president. A noble ambition, but it takes a good governor of the Empire state to qualify and he hasn't tried the test yet.

If the new Stony Brook reservoir isn't put into commission soon, the gate house will need reinforcements to accommodate and support the bronze slabs for the city and water officials.

The advance agent of Winter has made his call. It is now time to get out the snow shovels and sand barrels and use them to make the walks passable and safe throughout the winter.

Pouring acid and varnish in the letter boxes is another deplorable method used by the English suffragettes to get the halloo. Every such demonstration only pushes farther off the time when the privilege will be granted.

The Grand Trunk is after more land as Patrick is to develop that terminal presumably but as yet no move has been made which shows its inclination to do anything for the Central Vermont line or the terminal at New London.

## Woman in Life and in the Kitchen

### SUGGESTIONS FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

Silk should never be ironed on the right side, as it will be shiny wherever the iron has touched it.

To prevent the gravy soaking through the bottom crust of meat pies brush over the crust with white of egg.

After frying onions pour a little vinegar into the frying pan, let it get hot, and it will remove all smell from the pan.

When washing coarse clothes use soft soap, as it will go through the ordinary yellow and is more efficacious.

Do not leave wooden tubs dry, or they will quickly crack and come apart. Keep a little water always standing in them.

To rid carpet of moth soak the affected part with kerosene, being careful there is no light or fire anywhere near.

A pad of very thick paper laid over the edge of each step under the carpet will prevent it from wearing and doubling the lease of its life.

To keep the water fresh and sweet in vases of cut flowers add to it a small bit of sugar. This is successful even in the case of such blooms as wall-flowers.

To keep mice away scatter small pieces of camphor in your cupboards and drawers. They greatly dislike the smell of the camphor and will go far away from it.

To remove grease from a stove try this plan. Dip a cloth in dry soda and rub this well over the greasy parts; then apply the blacking and the spots will at once disappear.

When black gloves become rusty at the finger ends they may be restored by adding a few drops of ammonia to a teaspoonful of olive oil and applying it with a camel's hair brush.

When ironing handkerchiefs, begin in the middle. When the edges are ironed first the middle of the handkerchief is apt to swell up like a balloon, making it difficult to iron the whole properly.

### CASES FOR NAPERY.

Cases for individual naperies, meaning the centerpieces, side mats and tray-cloths, which usually are kept in the sideboard drawers, are made of long strips of plain Irish linen, one end of which must be attached with tiny tacks to a roll of soft wood, also covered with linen. After this linen strip has been wound once about the roll there will be no danger of the linens tearing the individual piece of embroidered naperies which is rolled about it in company with the long, plain strip of linen. Mats and tray cloths thus rolled will not wrinkle, nor will they accumulate, any dust if the loose end of the roll strip is tightly fastened by means of a stout loop fitting over a crochet button.

### TO PLANK SHAD.

To plank shad, have the board heated hot in the oven and the fish split down the back. Brush the fish on both sides with butter, put it with the skin side down on the plank, sprinkle it with salt and pepper, tuck it at each corner and put it on the upper grating of the coal oven or the lowest shelf of the broiler of the gas stove, which is used. Brush the fish with butter several times while it is cooking, and when it is tender serve it on the plank, if there is a frame on which to place it to the table or else slip it onto a platter and garnish it with parsley and lemon wedges. Of course, one may put all sorts of roccoco work in potato around the board or even as a border to the platter; but such work does not make the dish more appealing, even if one is skilled. Little brown potato cakes made from mashed potatoes, browned and arranged around the board or platter are more likely to most persons.

### HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

When the hair splits clip or sing the ends.

For ink stains on the fingers try lemon and salt.

Corns can be removed by daily rubbing with toilet powder.

One dram of borax added mixed with four ounces of distilled water and used as a wash for the face and neck. Apply with a soft cloth or velvet sponge.

To whiten finger nails and improve the hands cut a fresh lemon in two and rub in well at night. Wash off in warm water the next morning. This same treatment is excellent for stains on the hands.

In some cases very tender and easily chapped skin will yield to the treatment of glycerine applied immediately after washing when the skin is moist. Do not apply it to a dry skin; rub thoroughly into the skin and then rub with a little good cold cream.

Astringent lotions should be used to reduce the largest pores of the skin which become clogged with dust and grime. These disfiguring pores are especially noticeable across the nose, often extending over the cheeks. If allowed to go without checking agents, these pores develop into blackheads, thus which there is no greater enemy to beauty.

Over and over, for generations, the thing has been told that women injure their eyes when they look at the sun, thin mesh, heavy mesh, spotted and figured—all kinds of veils. Now comes an addition to this old time information—which never caused one to well less. It is said that the veil causes, first, eye strain, then headache, nervousness, wrinkles and finally general and serious nervous disorders. This would seem to indicate that the game is not worth the candle.

### THE SCALE IN THE HOUSE.

Scales in a bedroom are not a novelty in this era of fighting fleas. In the bathroom or bedroom are carried scales of white enamel—the very elegant set was silver-plated—on which a woman can weigh herself night and morning, before and after meals, sick or well, in her clothes and out of them.

Besides keeping strict tabs on her own weight, her babies are being weighed, and the scales are being brought up now under a weighing regime. Daily charts are kept of the gain or decrease of pounds.

Fascinating are the scales intended for a baby. A favorite gift to the new mother is a pair of scales of white enamel or French gilt, with special contrivances to hold her infant for weighing.

From Paris comes the most glorified scales. Someone has invented a pair concealed in a handsome stool and the woman with the weighing habit can indulge in it without standing up.

### NEEDLEWORK NOTES.

The last word in embroidery is the Scotch stitching. The real beauty of this embroidery is dependent upon the coloring. Corduroy is to be much

used for children's coats. In a tan, brown or gray it is both smart and serviceable.

One or more clasps of a glove often pull out, thus spoiling the pair. Cut from the old glove the clasps, leaving around a small piece of the material. Fit this inside of glove to be repaired and darn it down firmly with thread or silk to match.

When the lace insertion is set crosswise in a thin skirt the weight of the cloth below soon causes it to tear. This may be remedied by putting a piece of net a little wider than the insertion back of it. The net strengthens the insertion, but does not detract from its daintiness.

To make a pretty school bag in which books are to be carried, use brown corduroy and trim it with leather and have a corduroy strap. Soft leather may be used to bind the edges. Initials cut out of leather and stitched to the bag will prove an ornamental feature.

Perhaps the best way to fasten strings to a baby cap is by means of buttons and buttonholes. Work buttonholes in the ends of the strings and sew flat buttons on the inside of the cap. The strings are then buttoned to the cap and in this way they can be changed and laundered and so kept clean.

### BROCADED VELVETS.

Almost regal in their loveliness are the new evening fashions for the coming winter season. And particularly true is this of the new brocaded velvets. For splendor of coloring and richness of designs and variety they are unequalled.

One feature is their lightness of weight—a whole gown is not cumbersome; for the velvet is chosen weight and woven of very light silk.

The newest silks have a chiffon ground, filmy and delicate, from which the velvet figures stand out in richness and beauty. The corals, roses, soft amber shades and greens are unusually beautiful and are being much used for the more elegant toilettes.

### LIVE IN KITCHEN.

The kitchen should never be without concentrated lye and washing soda. The lye ought to be used once a week to clear away the grease collected on the inside of the pipes of the sink. Dissolve the lye in boiling water and pour down the pipe while it is very hot. Washing soda may also be used for the same purpose, as well as for cleaning pots and kettles. Fill your utensils with hot water and set over the fire, with a teaspoonful of soda.

### DICTATES OF FASHION.

Purple in all shades will be extremely popular.

Groups of three and six little bars are used for decorating plain frocks.

Deep red shades are coming more to the front than was anticipated earlier in the season.

Accordion plating has been revived and many of the newest skirts are treated in this manner.

Brown with a decided leaning toward the golden tones is seen everywhere among smart gowns.

Crystal beads worked into all sorts of designs on chiffons and silks, as well as crystal edging and trimmings, are used by the best houses in Paris on many of their Paris models.

The new fabrics for fall and winter suits show a two-toned effect, either in smooth or tulle material. This new idea seems to be the correct one for the present, and the combinations are very striking.

The buttonholes on the new frocks and suits, as well as coats, are not lined in braid; others are bound with satin or silk velvet, and in many ways finished in such a manner as to call attention to their presence on the garment.

Early fall hats are being shown, black and white appearing in many of the models and advance styles. A white felt, bound with black velvet and having black Cupid's wings, makes a charming hat for the cool days, and can be worn in any costume.

### A GIRL'S ROOM.

When a girl reaches home after a day's work in office or store she wishes to find it a place which is pretty enough to please her tired eyes and catch her eye out of doors that it soothes her overwrought nerves. Her home needs to offer her a complete contrast to the busy and rush and dust of the day.

Yet it is only the exceptionally wise girl who bothers to see that her home or her room is such a place of refuge or relief. The house, fronting on a brick wall or fence, the kitchenette apartment with its outlook on a dull drab court, is taken at its worst instead of at its best. "I can't have anything like the house rent I pay," the girl tells herself.

And right here is where she makes a mistake. The rent she pays has nothing at all to do with what she can make of her room. By a little attention to its furnishings and at a very slight expense she can turn it into a charming place, brighter and more suggestive of the cheerful life than many a massive and richly furnished bedroom or living room which has a view of a park and where sunshine pours in as freely as water over a falls.

The first thing to which she should turn her attention is the window. Shut out an ugly view. A prominent photographer who had to use her light room to take pictures of the faces of a small, dingy, dark room. She had her window glazed and so hid from sight the ugly red bricks of the building next door that pressed up against it. Instead of having conventional white, blue or green window shades, hers were buff, with a pattern of blossoming roses. The curtains of this kind are quite inexpensive, as are most things that she shops for country homes. Besides, the use of it saves laundering of white or cretonne side curtains, which are the only other kind that would have this cheerful effect.

After doing what she can to make the window attractive, she should strive in every way to give the impression of healthy out of doors. Whatever decoration is needed it should suggest flowers or greenery or birds. If she must use covers, have them of a gas, flowered pattern. See that the pictures on the wall are landscape, fresh, dainty, early morning scenes. These can be obtained in the cheapest brown prints.

Have growing things about instead of ornaments. Put a fern on the sewing table, or follow the example of the photographer mentioned before. In a vase made of a piece of birch bark pasted together she had a cluster of pussy willows. When these were not to be had she substituted a spray of artificial pink blossoms, picked up at one of the innumerable auctions of a Japanese store.

### TOILET CUSHIONS.

Many of the mattresses toilet cushions have a ribbon tied round them toward each end, with a smart bow, a

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